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In re the Application of: **Yasushi KANEKO et al.**

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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004, Applicants request withdrawal of the Office Action and issuance of a new Office Action.

REMARKS

The present application was filed on June 25, 2001. Following a Response to Final Office Action filed on March 7, 2003, an Advisory Action was issued by the Patent Office on March 19, 2003. Applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination on April 7, 2003, along with a Request for Suspension of Action for 3 Months.

Applicants then filed a Preliminary Amendment on July 7, 2003.

Applicants received an Office Action dated May 18, 2004. This Office Action does not appear to acknowledge the Preliminary Amendment, because it indicates that incorrect claims (previously pending claims 19-24, instead of presently pending claims 25-31 as presented in the